## Youth Ambassadors Program 2012 Participant Reference Form

The Youth Ambassadors Program is a leadership development program which places a special emphasis on service-learning and the development of leadership skills and cultural competencies through an intensive travel experience. The purpose of our Youth Ambassadors Program is to challenge each participant to develop a stronger sense of self-confidence, independence, and cooperation, as well as to deepen his or her appreciation for the diversity and interdependence of the world's people. The Youth Ambassadors Program is not just an opportunity to travel, but an opportunity for leadership development, personal growth, new cultural experiences, and increased international understanding. Teens begin training and preparation in March 2011 and the program officially ends in December 2011.

The young person who has given you this form is applying for an intense and challenging International YMCA opportunity. In order to complete this reference form, you are asked to be very familiar with the applicant's attributes and personality.

You must be a teacher, coach, tutor, mentor, employer, spiritual advisor, or community leader to complete this reference form. References from family members or friends will not be accepted.

If you feel you do not meet these criteria or you are a close friend or relative of the applicant, please do not complete this form.

It is essential that we receive an honest and objective assessment of the applicant. Please complete all sections **in English** on the reverse side. Print or type clearly. <u>Return this form to the applicant</u> in a sealed envelope and sign over the seal when you have completed it.

Should you have any questions, or want to learn more about the Youth Ambassadors Program or the International YMCA, give us an email or call us at <a href="mailto:avalencia@ymcacolombia.org">avalencia@ymcacolombia.org</a> or 288 44 45 ext. 104 or 106. We would be more than happy to speak with you.

Yours in Service,

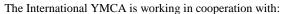
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Name of Applicant:				
Name of Reference:				
Address:				
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Phone:		E	Mail:	
What is your relationsl	hip to the applicant?			
How often do you interact with the applicant?				
Please rate the personality and suitability of the applicant for the Youth Ambassadors Program service-learning & cultural exchange program:				
	Excellent	Good	l Fair	Poor
Attitude				
Adaptability				
Responsibility				
Resourcefulness				
Enthusiasm				
Leadership				
Initiative				
Patience				
Sense Of Humor				
Cooperation				
Based on your experience, how does the applicant relate to other people?				
What would you consider to be the applicant's best skills and personality strengths?				
How well do you think the applicant would behave while in the United States?				
Signature:			Date:	







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